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Passed Janu- AN ACT authorising the transcribing of certain records of indexes, in the office of Register of Wills of Frederick county.

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Section 1. Be it enacted by the General Assem-Wills required bly of Maryland, That the Register of Wills for to transcribe. Frederick county by and the Register of Wills for Frederick county, be and he is hereby required to transcribe as many of the indexes of records in the Register's office of said county, into a new book or books, well bound for that purpose, as may be now worn out or rendered inefficient from continued use, and also to transcribe and remodel the entire general index of administration and guardians' accounts, and that he also be and he is required to fill and supply the vacancy which now exists in said general index, from December the 20th, eighteen hundred and eighteen, to June the 20th, eighteen hundred and twentyfive, and that he procure a good and substantial book or books for that purpose.

Judges of Or-phans' Court to use their discretion.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That if the Judges of the Orphans' Court for said county, in their discretion, deem it necessary that an entire new general index should be made for said office, they shall pass an order requiring the Register to make such general index, which order when passed shall be faithfully executed by the Register, and said index shall be full, alphabetical and complete, and made in a book or books, well bound for that purpose.

County Commissioners to pay.

SEC. 3. And be it enacted, That the costs of said books shall be paid by the County Commissioners for said county, and that said Register shall be paid for making said index or indexes out of the surplus proceeds of his office, and if there be no surplus, then the said County Commissioners shall allow him such compensation as they shall think fair and reasonable, to be levied and collected as other county charges now are; Provided, that said Register shall in no event receive more than the sum now allowed him by the Constitution of this State, and should the compensation allowed him by the County Commissioners cause a surplus in the fees of his said office, that then he shall pay over said excess, or surplus, or surpluses to the said

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